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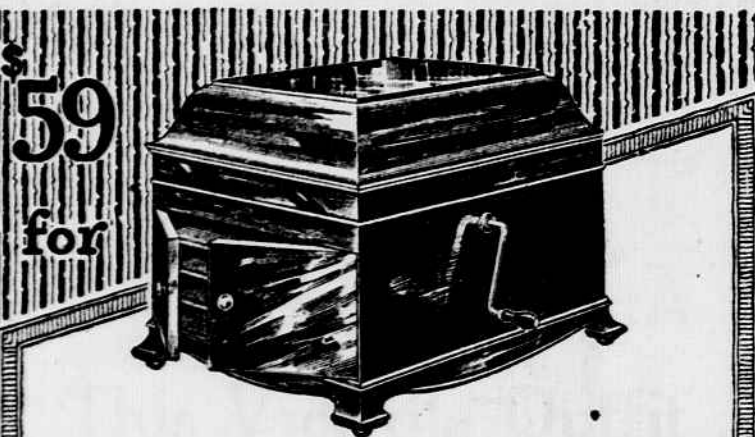
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Big Hydroaeroplane Arrives Here From Newport News Six Hours Late.

The big multipassenger-carrying hydroaeroplane, which has for a fortnight been establishing all kinds of records for endurance, speed, distance, altitude and weight carrying, had her first mishap yesterday on her way from the Curtiss aviation camp at Newport News, Va., to Washington, and lay for several hours off sufficiently to be driven through the water to the navy yard here.

The seaboat and her passengers arrived at about 6 o'clock last night, six hours later than expected. There was no one to greet them, save those in automobiles and pedestrians in Potomac Park, who, observing the strange craft plowing through the water driven by air-beating propellers, gathered on the water front.

Passengers on Craft.

The hydroaeroplane carried the pilot, Aviator J. C. McCauley, who has been driving the big boat on her recent voyages. Second Lieutenant of Engineers Norman B. Hall, coast guard observer at the aviation camp, was one of the passengers, pursuing his assigned task of testing the relations of aviation to coast guard activities in saving life and property at sea.

Other passengers were John R. Viney, president of the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce, bearer of a message from the Chamber of Commerce; Phil Vetter, machinist; Charles Good, a student in aviation at the aviation camp, and Bert Aycock, aviator.

Mr. Viney left the hydroaeroplane at Mount Vernon when stalled there and proceeded to the railway station. Lieut. Hall and Machinist Vetter remained with the boat until it reached the navy yard, taking supper with their companions, seeing them safely lodged at a hotel, and then proceeding to the Union station to take train back to Newport News.

Not Costumed for Street.

The party had expected to arrive about noon, returning as soon as gasoline was taken aboard. Consequently they were not costumed for a Washington dress parade. Lieut. Hall, who had worn the aviator's cap that clings to the head and covers the ears, borrowed an outing cap and a necktie to make him pass muster on a railway train as something more than a wayfarer.

The trouble, while trivial, took some time to mend, and then was only a patch job to bring the hydroaeroplane to haven. The big boat was not equipped with the regular propellers, resulting in the loosening up of the right-hand motor. Aviator McCauley considered it unsafe to fly in the air, even after the motor had been tightened. For this reason the hydroaeroplane was driven through the water to her port of destination. He anticipates that adequate repairs will require all of today to complete, and that the big boat cannot start on her return trip until tomorrow morning.

Came North Unprovisioned.

The party left Newport News unprovisioned, expecting to take luncheon in Washington. As a consequence it was a hungry crew that sat down at about 7 o'clock. As their costumes were not intended for public assembly, and there had just been a rain in the crowd, there was some hesitation upon entering the restaurant. Hunger, however, finally drove them. Later, at their own urging, their appearance had to be explained for them at the hotel desk before they would enter to register and go to beds awaiting them.

The first purpose of the trip is to aid the coast guard in its experiments to solve the problems of navigation out of sight of land, communication with shore and ship from an airship and other questions involved in the relations of aviation to coast guard activities. Engineer Hall was stationed at the hydroaeroplane to test the possibility of running an airship by dead reckoning with this agency. The airship was not equipped with wireless, necessary to determine the communication possibilities.

TO SELECT EXCISE BOARD MEMBER AT EARLY DATE

President May Select District Man to Succeed Gen. Smith.

President Wilson will probably take up the nomination of a member of the excise board at an early date, the proposed fight for reconsidering the vote by which Robert G. Smith of the board was recently defeated in the Senate having been abandoned owing to parliamentary difficulties. The President had not given the matter any consideration pending the proposed efforts for reconsideration in the Senate.

It was stated today that John J. O'Brien of New Brunswick, N. J., private secretary of Representative Scully of that state, will have the backing of Senator Hughes and the democrats of the New Jersey delegation in Congress, the assumption being that Gen. Smith, formerly a New Jersey man, may be succeeded by another New Jerseyan. Mr. O'Brien is spoken of highly, but the opinion was expressed in well-informed circles today that the President will not go outside the District for a member of the board to succeed Gen. Smith, who had lived in Washington many years when first named to the position and was considered by the President as a resident of this city within the idea of home rule for local positions.

Candidates for the position are already arranging their support and sending recommendations to the White House, where a large list awaits the President if he should want to go through the papers. When the three members of the board were first selected the list was large and many of the recommendations then made are still on file.

EFFICIENCY RATING SYSTEM

Post Office Department Employees to Receive Increases.

In a circular addressed to all employees of the Post Office Department and just promulgated Chief Clerk W. I. Deming states that the system of efficiency ratings now in force in the department was established by the present administration for the purpose of determining the value of services performed by the various employees and adjusting their pay in accordance with the earnings shown.

More than 200 promotions, it is stated, have been made on the basis of the ratings, and after the adjustment July 1 the average clerical salary will have been increased more than \$20. The efficiency has been increased, it is explained, so that it has been possible to drop more than 100 positions, though the volume of the work has increased by the extension of the parcel post and postal savings systems, in addition to the normal increase of postal business.

DEFENDANT FINED IN OWN BARROOM

Robert E. Joyce, justice of the peace at Mount Rainier, Md., yesterday afternoon motored to Cedarville, a small village in the lower end of Prince Georges county, held court in a saloon, and gave a decision which probably will revolutionize the liquor business in the small saloons at cross roads, in villages and the smaller towns in the "wet" sections of the state of Maryland.

The justice of the peace made it plain that the gambling laws of the state forbid the playing of games of chance for money or other valuables. The case before him involved solely the question of playing cards for drinks, and he placed the stamp of condemnation on the practice by imposing a fine of \$250 and costs upon H. T. Cook, proprietor of the saloon. An additional fine of \$50 was imposed as a charge of keeping a disorderly house.

Cook gave notice of an intention to appeal the case to the circuit court. Sheriff R. F. Gates and his deputy, Wesley Bell, were the complainants in both cases, while several residents of the Cedarville section were reluctant witnesses. In the disorderly house case it was contended the sheriff and his deputy had heard loud, profane language indulged in by frequenters of the saloon.

Neighbors said they had no cause of complaint on that score and it was impossible for the sheriff to summon the writer of several anonymous letters of complaint which had been received by him.

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN VOTE FOR DELEGATES

Result of Last Friday's Election Likely to Be Contested at Chicago.

The following are the latest developments in the election of delegates to represent the republican voters of the District of Columbia at the republican national convention at Chicago June 7:

Frank J. Hogan and Dr. Edward Williston are declared to have been elected delegates to the convention by the returning board which tabulated the returns of the voting held at twenty-two precincts throughout the District last Friday.

Aaron Bradshaw and Dr. Edward Marshall were elected delegates at a convention held last night at True Reformers' Hall, in accordance with a call sent out by Mr. Bradshaw as chairman of the republican central committee.

The Miller-Chase ticket maintains it received the greatest number of votes at Friday's election, and at the Chicago convention will contest the announcement that any other ticket was victorious.

The returning board tabulated the returns of the election at the office of George C. Gorman, one of its members, last night. According to an announcement made by the board the Hogan-Williston ticket received 5,648 votes. The Miller-Chase ticket received 1,903 votes, and the Bradshaw-Marshall ticket received 1,029 votes.

Frederick Douglas, a member of the returning board, resigned prior to the tabulation of the votes last night. Charles Linkins, chairman of the election which supervised the voting, made no statement concerning the resignation.

Result of Vote in Detail.

The result of the vote in detail is announced as follows:

Hogan-Williston—Twentieth district, 238; fifteenth, 207; twelfth, 60; first (second precinct), 148; ninth, 456; eighth, 618; sixteenth, 83; first precinct, 246; third, 188; second (second precinct), 248; first (third precinct), 147; second (third precinct), 225; second (first precinct), 166; twenty-second, 107; twenty-first, 370; fourteenth, 207; fourth, 109; eighteenth, 531. Other districts were elected on account of failure to cast votes or irregularities.

Miller-Chase—Twentieth, 16; fifteenth, 74; twelfth, 64; first (second precinct), 0; nineteenth, 42; eighth, 75; sixteenth, 147; fifth precinct, 24; third, 28; second (second precinct), 62; first (third precinct), 47; second (third precinct), 0; second (first precinct), 315; seventh, 50; sixth, 74; first (first precinct), 149; twenty-second, 113; twenty-first, 39; fourteenth, 226; fourth, 2; eighteenth, 28.

Bradshaw-Marshall—Twentieth, 4; fifteenth, 19; twelfth, 22; first (second precinct), 15; nineteenth, 10; eighth, 61; sixteenth, 3; fifth precinct, 220; third, 21; second (second precinct), 82; first (third precinct), 13; second (third precinct), 3; second (first precinct), 44; seventh, 82; sixth, 23; first (first precinct), 14; twenty-second, 6; twenty-first, 74; fourteenth, 51; fourth, 146; eighteenth, 16.

Eighty Delegates at Convention.

The convention held at True Reformers' Hall last night was attended by about eighty delegates from the twenty-two election precincts who were elected Saturday night in accordance with the call sent out by Aaron Bradshaw as chairman of the republican central committee. The Hogan-Williston and Miller-Chase tickets maintain that such an organization does not

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exist. Jabez Lee, acting secretary of the organization, said today that the republican central committee has not been active for some years, but that it has been revived.

Concerning Friday's election, W. Calvin Chase of the Miller-Chase ticket today said: "The Miller-Chase, Hayes and Collins ticket carried ten districts in the recent primary election with a total vote of over 2,000 and was elected, and the recanvass of the returns by the election board will show it."

U. S. ARMY OF 180,000 MAY BE AGREED UPON

Compromise on Nitrate Feature of Hay Bill May Be Reached by Conferees.

On motion of Senator Chamberlain today the Senate insisted upon its amendments to the army reorganization bill, rejecting the nitrate compromise proposal adopted yesterday by the House, and the big defense measure was again referred to conferees.

Senate conferees by this action were instructed to insist upon the regular army of 250,000 men, rejected yesterday by the House after the conferees' committee had reported its first disagreement, to continue insistence for a federal volunteer reserve force of 26,000 men and for the Senate provision to appropriate \$15,000,000 for construction of government nitrate manufacturing plants.

Tentative Agreement Reached.

It is regarded as probable that the conferees will agree on a regular army of approximately 180,000 men in times of peace which could be expanded into a force of 220,000 men. A tentative agreement to this effect had been reached before the conferees came to a disagreement over other features of the bill. It also is probable that a compromise on the nitrate feature now can be reached, but what will result from the apparently irreconcilable difference between the Senate and House over the army reserve features cannot be forecast.

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